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MEXICO TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I enclose the statement issued by the Mexican Government on the occasion
of the summit meeting of the Security Council on 31 January 1992.

I should be grateful if you would issue the above-mentioned statement as
a document of the Security Council.

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to the United Nations

Annex

Statement concerning the summit meeting of the Security Council

With reference to the summit meeting of the Security Council of the United Nations to be held at the Headquarters of the Organization on 31 January 1992, the Mexican Government wishes to state the following:

1. Mexico takes note that the Russian Federation has taken the place of the former Soviet Union as a State Member of the United Nations and that, in that capacity, it has taken over the corresponding seat on the Security Council.

2. In the light of the profound changes which have occurred on the international stage in recent years, Mexico reaffirms the need to adapt the working methods of the Organization in order to make it more democratic and efficient in discharging its tasks. The United Nations must be revitalized by strengthening the mandates of the Secretary-General and the General Assembly.

3. At the same time, consideration must be given to democratizing the Council itself, which should be representative of the interests of the whole international community. The meeting of the Security Council at the highest political level affords an opportunity to initiate a process of reflection and dialogue on the Council's role in international political affairs.

4. Given the growing demands placed on it by new tasks, particularly in the fields of preventive diplomacy and of peacemaking and peace-keeping activities, the Security Council must enjoy universal legitimacy and support. To that end, its composition must reflect the interests and aspirations of all countries and groups of countries, its decisions must be transparent and it must act at all times with due regard for the sovereign rights of States.

5. The dialogue between the Security Council and the General Assembly must be strengthened to enable the latter to make full use of its powers so as to permit the prompt and timely adoption by it of positions regarding situations liable to jeopardize international peace and security.
